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Who were Sequeſtred, Harraſs'd, and Perſecuted by the Parliament, in the Late Times of the GREAT REBELLION, for ERRORS in DOCTRINE, and VITIOUSNESS of LIFE, *viz.* Armenianiſm, Atheiſm and Deiſm; Drunkenneſs, Whoreing, Swearing, Curſing, Bleſphemy, and Sodomy.

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THE PREFACE.

THere are ſome Perſons equally unhappy in Projecting, *and* Timing *a Deſign, by which they very often Diſſerve the Cauſe they are Studious of Supporting: Being once blindly poſſeſs'd with the Juſtice of the Intereſt they engage for,* Conduct, *and* Premeditation *are thrown by as* Impediments *to their* Zeal *for the Service. They flatter themſelves with ſome ſpecious Appearances on their own Side, without weighing the Ballancing Circumſtances on the Other; elſe, who could be tempted to travel back thro' ſo many intricate Paths and Windings, to glean up the* Sufferings *of Perſons, ſome of which will be found, upon ſtrict Enquiry, to have merited a* Gibbet, *or an* Houſe of Correction, *with greater Equity than a bare Excluſion from their Livings.*

Thoſe who wind up all Religion into the Bottom of Holy Church, *think that a Zeal without Knowledge, and a Vehemency of Spirit is ſufficient to* Attone *for Sins of the deepeſt*

Dye, without Practiſing *any of thoſe Duties which are of the Eſſence of that Religion they Profeſs.*

This may be digeſted by Bigots, *and* Unthinking Animals, *who are Taught* to Believe juſt as they were Bred, *without ever taking the Liberty of judging for themſelves; but with Men of Reflection, it paſſes for idle* Chicane, *if not downright* Impudence.

The Moderate Men, of all Perſwaſions, were in Hopes that thoſe Unnatural Scars *had been, in a great meaſure, worn out, and the* Animoſities *of former Times buried in Oblivion; but now perceive, to their Sorrow, the Wounds laying Open afreſh, and* Corroſives *applying to rankle the* Sore: *This is plain from the Induſtry of a Set of Men handing about* Propoſals, *at the Opening of this preſent Seſſion of* P——t, *for Printing* The Numbers and Sufferings of the Clergy of the Church of *England*, who were Haraſſed, or Sequeſtred by Order of P——t, in the Beginning of the late Civil Wars.

It's no difficult Matter to Trace this Deſign to the Source; By theſe flaming Collections, and ſtrain'd Characters of the Sufferers, the Compilers of this Work would Inſinuate the Cruelty, and Inhumanity of thoſe Times againſt

againſt the truly Orthodox and Loyal Clergy; move a diſtant Compaſſion, and endeavour to render the Diſſenters as Odious as poſſible to this preſent Generation, who (if you will credit the Whiſpers of theſe Infallible Guides) *are ready to put the ſame wholſom Severities in Execution again, if it lay in their Power.*

But thoſe who flatter themſelves with ſuch Gaudy Conſequences, from ſuch an Heavy and Spurious Collection, will infallably be deceiv'd in the End, and looſe their aim in endeavouring, by Amuzement, and the Terror of thoſe Times, to Divert People's Thoughts from the proper Objects of Atheiſm *and* Immorality.

There are as faithful Hiſtorians *as thoſe* Pretenders *to* Certainty, *who have as many Centuries of the* Lives, *and* Manners *of the* Clergy *of thoſe Times, and the* Offences *they Suffer'd for, as theſe* Sagacious Remembrancers *have of their* Affected Loyalty; *who will not juſt give the partial Reaſons of their* Sufferings, *but are prepar'd to ſet the abominable Sins of that* Clergy *in a proper Light, and ſhow, that* Blaſphemy *againſt God, and* Loyalty *to the King, are incompatible.*

We cannot here forbear expreſſing our juſt Fears, *leſt theſe* Pious Recorders *ſhould be unwarily*

warily drawn in to confound the Christians of the Good Clergy *of those Times with the* Bad, *and put them all under the Predicament of* Martyrs, *or* Confessors: *Therefore, in Charity to their* Cause (*which is unbecoming Treatment from a suppos'd Adversary*) *we have thought fit to Publish near a Century of those* Persecutions, *as a Caution against their bundling up those* Precious Babes *with the rest of their* Undefiled Saints; *and when they are pleas'd to Oblige the World with a Sight of their* Red-Letters, *we are ready to furnish out a fresh Collection of* Living Nuysances, *that are not only a* Reproach *to the* Christian Religion, *but a* Scandal *to* Morality.

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AN ACCOUNT OF THE SUFFERINGS Of a great Number of the CLERGY, &c.

THE Benefice of *John Wilson*, Vicar of *Arlington*, in the County of *Suſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he, in moſt beaſtly Manner, divers Times attempted to commit Buggery with *Nathaniel Browne*, *Samuel Andrews*, and *Robert Williams*, his Pariſhioners, and, by Perſwaſions and Violence, laboured to draw them to that abominable Sin, That (as he ſhamed not to profeſs) *they might make up his Number Eighteen*; and hath profeſſed, *That he made choice to commit that Act with Mankind rather than with Women, to avoid the Shame and Danger that oft enſueth in Begetting Baſtards*; and hath alſo attempted to commit

mit Buggery with a Mare; and, at Baptizing of a Baſtard Child, blaſphemouſly ſaid, openly in the Church, *That our Saviour, as he was in the Fleſh, was a Baſtard:* And uſually preacheth, *That Baptiſm uttterly taketh away Original Sin; and that the Sins committed after Baptiſm, are only by Imitation, and not by natural Corruption:* And hath, in his Sermons, much commended Images in Churches, as good for Edification, and that Men ſhould pray with Beads; and hath openly affirmed, *That Buggery is no Sin*; and is a uſual Frequenter of Ale-Houſes, and a great Drinker.

The Stipend of *John Aymes*, Curate of *Lowis* in *Kent*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, a common Haunter of Ale-Houſes; and a common Swearer; and for above Fifteen Weeks hath altogether deſerted his Cure.

The Benefice of *Charles Forbench*, Parſon of *Heny*, in the County of *Eſſex*, was ſequeſtred, becauſe he is a Common Swearer, oftentimes breaking forth into fearful Oaths and Imprecations, and very careleſs of his Paſtoral Function.

The Benefice of *Stephen Withers*, Parſon of *Kelvedon*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath ſollicited, oftentimes, the Wife of *Philip Glaſcomb* to commit Adultery with him, and divers other Women, affirming it, *To be no Sin to lie*

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with them; and will not suffer his People to have above one Sermon on the Lord's Day, though at their Charge.

The Benefice of *Emanuel Uty*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Parish Church of *Chigwel*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he affirmed, *That there hath been no true Religion in England these Forty Years, and that he loved the Pope with all his Heart*; peremptorily maintaining, *that whatsoever Men of Holy Orders speak, they speak by Divine Inspiration, and that, if the Devil himself would have Holy Orders put on him, he would be inspired by the Holy Ghost*, and hath denied the King's Supremacy, and exalted the Power of Bishops above the Authority of the Prince, affirming them to be the Head of the Church; and blasphemously broached, *That the Command of the Archbishop of Canterbury was to be equally Obey'd with the Word of God.*

The Benefice of *Edward Cherry*, Rector of the Parish Church of *Much-holland*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, as having been very often Drunk; and affirmed, *That a Man may more dutifully Play, Game, and Drink in an Ale-House on a Sunday, than on any other Day*; and hath deserted his said Cure for above a Year last past, leaving the same wholly unsupply'd.

The Benefice of *Thomas Thrall*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *St. Mary Mount-*

thaw, London, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath neither Preached nor Catechiſed on the Lord's Day in the Afternoon, nor ſuffered his Pariſhoners to have any to perform the ſame, tho' they have deſired it at their own Charge; and is a common Hunter of Taverns, and Ale-Houſes, ſpending much of his Time there, and hath been often Drunk, and not only read the *Book for Sports*, on the *Sabbath*, in the Church, but hath ſtirred up his Pariſhoners thereunto, and countenanced them with his Preſence at Cudgels, and the like other Sports on that Day; and doth ordinarily Swear and Curſe.

The Benefice of *John Gordon*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Ockley*, in the County of *Suſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Haunter of Ale-Houſes, and Taverns, Sitting and Tippling there, Night after Night, and hath ſpent the whole *Sabbath* there, ſo that no Service, nor Sermon, was in his Church by reaſon thereof, and is a common Drunkard; and hath deſerted his ſaid Church for about ſix Months laſt paſt.

The Benefice of *Lawrence Waſhington*, Rector of *Purleigh*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Ale-Houſes, not only himſelf Sitting Daily Tippling there, but alſo Encouraging others in that beaſtly Vice, and hath been oft Drunk.

The Benefice of *Philip Leigh*, Vicar

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of the Parish Church of *Redbourne*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Haunter of Ale-Houses, usually Drinking Healths, and pressing others thereunto; a common Swearer and Quarreller.

The Benefices of *Francis Fothersby*, Vicar of St. *Clement's* in *Sandwich*, and Parson of *Lingsteed*, in the County of *Kent*, are sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and common Swearer and Curser.

The Stipend of *Daniel Tutivall*, Preacher of *Sutton's* Hospital, in the County of *Middlesex*, commonly call'd *Charter-House*, is sequestred, for that he hath been often Drunk, and that on the Lord's Day, and hath taught, in his Sermons to the said House, that *Moses* and *Aaron* being before them, (meaning two Pictures set up in the Chappel) and the Organs behind them, (newly also set up there) *they were a happy People, and what greater Comfort could Mortal Men have?*

The Benefice of *John Gorsuch*, Doctor of Divinity, Rector of the Parish Church of *Walkerne*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Haunter of Ale-Houses, and Taverns, and often Drunk; and oft sitteth Gaming whole Nights together; and is seldom in the Pulpit, Preaching scarce once a Quarter; and hath often denied many of his Parishoners the Sacrament

of the Lord's Supper, without any Cauſe ſhewn.

The Benefice of *Edward Thurman*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Hallingbury*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and hath preſented his Pariſhoners for going from their own Church to hear Sermons, when they had none at Home; and hath affirmed, *That he would drive away all the* Puritans *out of his Pariſh*; and hath wholly deſerted his ſaid Cure for the Space of Half a Year now laſt paſt.

The Benefice of *Robert Hibard*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Ewell*, in the County of *Surry*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, Sitting Tippling and Quarrelling there, and is often Drunk, and is a common Curſer and Sweater, and hath jeared the Holy Spirit of Grace, ſaying, *We have Miniſters now will Preach, forſooth, and Pray by the Spirit.*

The Benefice of *Joſeph Soame*, Vicar of *Aldenham*, in the County of *Hertford*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Chamberlain, a common Ale-Houſe Haunter, and frequently Drunk, and a common Quarreller.

The Benefices of *William Fairfax*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Pariſh Church of St. *Peter's* in *Cornhill, London*, and Vicar of *Eaſt-Ham*, in the County of *Eſſex*, are ſequeſtred, for that he refuſed to let his

Pariſh

Parish have a Lecture on the Lord's Day in the Afternoon, except he might have 30 l. given him for the same: And for the Space of Eight Years refused to let his Parishioners have a Lecture on a Week-Day, which was appointed, and Maintenance for the same given by the Will of the Dead, and useth to prophane the *Sabbath-Day* by Playing at Cards, and hath been often Drunk in Ale-Houses and other Places, and usually frequenteth and haunteth the Company of Women, notoriously suspected of Incontinency, and intrudes himself into their Company, and into the Company of other Women, Walking alone in the Streets in the Dark and Twilight, and tempteth them to Uncleanness, leading them into Dark Places, and into Taverns, fit for such Works of Darkness, and hath greatly neglected his Cure, and, in his Absence, hath provided scandalous Ministers to supply the same.

The Benefice of *James Bradshaw*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Chalfont*, St. *Peter's* in the County of *Bucks*, is sequestred, for that he hath preached in his Sermons, *That the Commissaries Courts were the Suburbs of Heaven, and the Commissaries and Officers of that Court, the very Supremacies, next to Arch-Angels, and that it was a damnable Sin for any summoned to that Court not to appear, and that to preach twice on the Lord's Day is a damnable Sin, and that to use any*

Prayers

Prayers beſides the Book of Common-Prayer, was likewiſe a damnable Sin, and wiſhed, *that all Lecturers were hanged.*

The Benefices of *Robert Cotesford*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Hadleigh* and *Munkes Ely*, in the County of *Suffolk*, are ſequeſtred, for that he hath been often Drunk, conſuming his Time in Tippling and Drinking, ſometimes from Morning to Night, and hath oft attempted the Chaſtity of his Maid-Servant, that ſhe could not live in the Houſe for him, and ſeldom preacheth; and for five Months laſt paſt, wholly deſerted his ſaid Cures, ſo that the Church-Wardens were inforced, thro' his Default, to make ſome Proviſion for the ſaid Cure of *Hadleigh*.

The Benefices of *Nicholas Andrewes*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Pariſh Churches of *Guilford*, and Vicar of *Godalmine*, in the County of *Surrey*, are ſequeſtred, for that he is not only negligent in Preaching himſelf, but hath alſo expreſſed himſelf to be an Enemy to frequent Preaching, inveighing, in his Sermons, againſt long Sermons, ſaying, *that* Peter's *Sword cut off but one Ear, but long Sermons, like long Swords, cut off both at once, and that the Surfeit of the Word is of all moſt dangerous, and that the ſillyeſt Creatures have longeſt Ears, and that Preaching was the worſt Part of God's Worſhip, and that if he left out any Thing,*

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he would leave out that; and frequenteth Taverns, and consumes his Time in Sitting and Tippling there.

The Benefice of *James Mountford*, Rector of the Parish Church of *Tewing*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he hath published in his Church, the *Book of Sports* on the Lord's Day, and commended the same, and hath, publickly, in his Sermons, affirmed, *That Preaching is not necessary for the Sanctification of the* Sabbath, *and that the* Sabbath *was made for Ministers to rest in, as well as for the People, and that* Lay-men *ought not to meddle with the Scriptures, but must believe as the Church believes.*

The Benefice of *John Peckham*, Rector of the Parish Church of *Hosteede parva*, in the County of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he hath been very negligent in his Cure, Absenting himself from his Parishoners, sometimes a whole Month together, without leaving any to Officiate for him; and is a common Drunkard, and notorious Adulterer, and Unclean Person, having drawn divers Women to commit Uncleanness with him, and hath bragged, *That he could lie with Women, and never get them with Child*, and hath used sordid and beastly Carriages towards Women, to entice them to satisfie his Lust, not to be named among the Heathen; and hath affirmed,

firmed, publickly, *That a Man might live in Murther, Adultery, and other groſs Sins from Day to Day, and yet be a true Penitent Perſon.*

The Stipend of *John Kidd*, Curate of *Egerton*, in the County of *Kent*, is ſequeſtred, for that he preacheth not to his Pariſh above once in a Fortnight, ſometimes not once in a Month, or two Months, though there be in the ſaid Pariſh near 400 Communicants, nor provided any other to inſtruct them, and hath uſed frequent and unreaſonable Bowing to the Communion-Table in his ſaid Church, and perſwaded his People ſo to do, and called them, openly, *Unreverent Puppies that paſſed by it without ſuch Bowing*; and in Adminiſtring the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, when he had received himſelf, and was going to adminiſter the Bread to his People, aſſaulted one of the Communicants, and pulled him by the Hair of the Head, and threat him out of the Church and Congregation without any juſt Cauſe.

The Benefice of *Griffith Roberts*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Ridge*, in the County of *Hertford*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Tippler in Ale-Houſes, and Drinker of Healths, Quarrelling with them that will not pledge him thereto.

The Benefice of *Peter Dauſew*, Vicar of the

the Parish Church of *Camberwell*, in the County of *Surry*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Drunk at the Times of his Officiating at Burials and Baptizings; and hath, by his debauched Conversation, disabled himself from Preaching; and hath not preached for these 12 Years, and upwards; and did protect, and hide a *Romish* Priest in his House, from the Officers, that came to seek him; and hath extorted undue and unreasonable Fees from his Parishoners; and after the Administring of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, expended the Money given to the Poor in Sack, and drank it in the Church; and, in Delivering the Sacrament to one Mistress *Wilson*, one of his Parishoners, cast the Bread upon the Ground, saying to her, *Take it there if thou wilt have it*; and is a common Curser and Swearer.

The Benefice of *John Mountford*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Parish Church of *Austie*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he hath endeavoured to leaven his People with the Doctrines of *Arminianism*, and hath forbidden, by Vertue of a Commissary, or Surrogates Place, he held under the Dean and Chapter of *Paul's*, Preaching in the Afternoon on the Lord's Day, and Expounding of the Catechism within his Jurisdiction, only Tying them to use the same

by bare Queſtions and Anſwers, and Preſſing the Reading of the *Book of Sports* on the *Sabbath-Day*, and uſually enveighed, in his Sermons, againſt thoſe that went out from his ſaid Pariſh Church to hear Sermons, when they had none at Home, and hath, in his Abſence, ſubſtituted a very ſcandalous Curate, very ſuperſtitious in his Practices, who preached, *That that Conſcience was neither Good nor Quiet, that could not be content with one Sermon a Day on the Lord's Day*; and charged them as Rebels, that did not obſerve his ſuperſtitious Practices of the late illegal Innovations; *and that his People are bound, in Conſcience, to believe whatſoever he and the Doctor did preach*; *and that the material Church was the Myſtical Body of Chriſt*; *and to give any Thing to it, was to beautify Chriſt's Body*; *and that to go out to hear Sermons on the Lord's Day, when they had none at Home, was Spiritual Whoredom*; and the ſaid Doctor being informed of his ſaid Curate's ſuperſtitious Practices, and falſe Doctrines, and deſired to remove him, refuſed it; affirming, *That he would maintain him in whatſoever he had ſaid or done.*

The Benefice of *Edward Brewſter*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Lawſhall*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Ale-Houſe Haunter, and hath been found guilty thereof upon Inditement at the Aſſizes, which he never traverſed, but

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ſubmitted unto a Fine thereupon, and hath continued, ſince, his frequent Sitting and Tippling in Ale-Houſes.

The Benefice of *Richard Hart*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Hargrave*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Ale-Houſe Haunter, and Upholder of private Ale-Houſes, and commonly ſitteth Drinking in them divers Days together, and lately continued Drinking and Tippling there from *Tueſday* till *Sunday* Morning, and that Morning, being come Home, durſt not come to Church, his Face was ſo battered and beaten, and forced his Pariſhoners to go to other Churches, by Reaſon of his Inability to read Divine Service, or preach unto them; and uſed, on the *Lord's Days*, in the Afternoons, after his Reading of Divine Service, to draw his Pariſhoners with him to his Houſe, forcing them there to Drink untill they be Drunk, cauſing every one to caſt a Dye in their Courſe, and to drink up ſo many Cups as fell to their Chance, perſwading them, that if they will take their Cups, he can forgive them that Sin; and when he hath preached on the Faſt-Day, hath told his Pariſhoners, That he knew not wherefore the Faſt was, and that it was not material to be kept, and conſumeth the Afternoons of ſuch Days in Drinking with ſome of his Pariſh in his own Houſe, or at ſome private Ale-Houſe. And upon *Whitſunday* laſt,

though he had administred the Communion in the Forenoon, after Evening Prayer read, he drew a Man and his Wife to a private Ale-House, and there kept them Drinking till Night, and after led them to his own House, and there made the Man so Drunk, as he fell asleep, and then enticed the Man's Wife up into his Chamber, where they were all Night suspiciously together, and Drinking and Taking Tobacco.

The Benefice of *Black Novelty*, alias *Notly*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred from *Joseph Plumm*, Parson thereof, for that he is a common Ale-House and Tavern Haunter, and hath been divers Times Drunk, and hath absented himself from his said Cure for the Space of Eighteen Weeks last past.

The Benefice of *Willam Graunt*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Iselworth*, in the County of *Middlesex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Haunter of Ale-Houses and Taverns, and that on the Lord's Day, even since the Order of Parliament for Observing the *Lord's Day*, and hath been often Drunk, and that many Times in one Week; and that he complained, *That all good Fellowship was laid aside in his Parish, but he would bring it in again, and maintain it*, and invited and entertained all he could procure to come to his House on *Sundays* after Prayers, to sit there with him, and consume their Time in Drinking and Tippling.

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The Benefice of *Henry Hancocks*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Fornax-Pelham*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he hath preached, *That it is as lawful for a Woman, if she dislike her Husband, to leave him, and take another, as for one to go out of his Parish to hear another Minister; and that to go to another Church, was as the Sin of Witch-Craft and Idolatry*, and is a common Tippler and Haunter of Ale-Houses, and a prophane Swearer of bloody Oaths.

The Benefice of *Alexander Clarke*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Bredfield*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for having read the *Book of Sports* on the *Lord's Day*, and encouraged his Parishoners to observe the same, telling them, *That it was fitter to Play, and follow their Business on the* Lord's Day *than on* Holy-Days, and hath publickly sported himself with his Parishoners on the *Lord's Days* at *Barly-Break*.

The Benefice of *Zachary Tutsham*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Dallington*, in the County of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and hath sollicited the Chastity of one *Alice Thorpe*, and is a common Quarreller, and did Way-lay one *Edmund Gore* about Mid-night, and fell upon him, and beat him, and hath greatly neglected his Cure, sometimes deserting the same for Two-Months together without any supply.

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The Benefice of *Nicholas Wright*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Parish Church of *Theydon-Garnon*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he hath not preached above Twice or Thrice a Year to his Parishioners, and yet hath Presented divers of them, and put them to great Charges in the Ecclesiastical Courts, for going to hear Sermons in other Churches, when they had none at Home, and brought also such Ministers as they heard to preach into Trouble; and read the *Book for Sports* on the Lord's Day in his said Church, and preached to maintain the Lawfulness of it, by means whereof the Lord's Day hath, ever since, been much prophaned, by Foot-ball playing and other ungodly Practices, and hath deserted his said Cure ever since *Palm*-Sunday last, and hath brought and continued long under him for his Curate, a Drunken, Lewd and Scandalous Person, that hath been indited and found Guilty at the Sessions for a common Drunkard.

The Benefice of *John Woodcock*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Elham*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Ale-Houses, and commonly Drunk, and abuseth them that will not keep Company with him at the Ale-House, and is a common Swearer, by *Wounds*, *Blood*, and other like execrable Oaths, and a common Curser, and hath deserted

ſerted his ſaid Cure ever ſince the firſt of *Auguſt* laſt.

The Benefice of *John Mandy*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Parish Church of *Cottenham*, in the County of *Cambridge*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Swearer and Curſer, *Wounds and Blood*, and *Pox and Plague*, and ſuch like horrid Oaths and Curſes do commonly proceed out of his Mouth, and did bragg, *That he hath out-ſworn a great Swearer*, and is a frequent Gameſter, even upon the *Lord's Days*.

The Benefice of *William Muffet*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Edmonton*, in the County of *Middleſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, and a common Swearer, Curſer, and Blaſphemer, and is a common Fighter and Quarreller, not ſparing his Majeſty's Officers, and is commonly Drunk, and ſcarcely Sober at all, but when he wanteth Money to conſume in Drink; and, in his Drunkenneſs, goeth up and down the ſaid Town, breaking Glaſs Windows, which hath coſt him Twenty Shillings at a Time to repair, and is a common Drinker of Healths, and Forcer of others to do the ſame.

The Benefice of *John Dunn*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Dartford*, in the County of *Kent*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Ale-Houſe and Tavern Haunter, and commonly Drunk, and, on *Sabbath Days*, uſeth

uſeth to ſit till Twelve of the Clock at Night, ſending for Bottles of Wine, and Clubbing, and, in a Sermon, deſcribed a Drunkard, *To be only ſuch an one as lies in the Cart-Way, Foaming at Mouth, and not able to remove from the Cart-Wheeles*, and refuſeth to preach on the *Lord's Days*, and *Faſt Days*, and is unwilling to ſuffer any to do the ſame.

The Benefice of *Richard Tanton*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Ardingly*, in the County of *Suſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Ale-Houſe Haunter, and, in his Sermons, hath wiſhed, *That every Knee might Rot that would not bow at the Name* Jeſus.

The Benefice of *Thomas King*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Cheſill Magna*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Ale-Houſes and Taverns, and very frequently Drunk, even upon *Faſting Days*, and upon the *Lord's Day*; and hath deſerted his Cure for above Three Months, and did read the *Book of Sports* in his ſaid Church for Prophaning of the *Sabbath*.

The Benefice of *Edward Alſton*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Pentloe*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath attempted the Chaſtity of ſome Women, and hath uſed very Unchaſte Demeanours towards other Women, Snatching a Handkerchief from one, and thruſting it into his Breeches, and forcing

cing her Hand after it, and putting his Yard into her Hand; Pulling up the Coats of another; and thrusting his Hand into the Placket of another; and using other wicked Temptations to draw them to his Lust.

The Benefice of *Christopher Webb*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Sabridgworth*, in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Ale-House Haunter, negligent of his Cure, and not suffering others to Preach, when himself would not.

The Benefice of *John Reynolds*, Parson of the Parish Church of *Haughton* and *Witton*, in the County of *Huntington*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Ale-House Haunter and Tippler therein, and Swearer; and hath altogether left his said Cure for four Months last past.

The Benefice of *Edward Asburnham*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Tunbridge*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Ale-House and Tavern Haunter, and very often Drunk, even upon the Lord's Days; and hath driven divers of his Parishoners, with their Families, from their Dwellings, by Pursuing them for not coming up to the Rails to receive the Sacrament, and seldom Preacheth upon the publick Fast-Days, and made a publick Speech for the encouraging the late Insurrection and

Rebellion at *Tunbridge*, and to contribute to the Maintenance thereof.

The Benefice of *Nicholas Bloxam*, Parson of the Parish Church of Great *Waldingfield*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Enticer of others to that Beastly Vice, a common Swearer by great and bloody Oaths; and hath been very careless and negligent of his Cure, seldom Preaching above once a Month, and never on the *Fast-Days*, and is seldom Present at Church on the *Fast-Days*, and often Absent on the *Lord's Day*, when he hath Drank hard the Day before, and hath carried himself very Lasciviously towards several Women, and is greatly suspected of Incontinency.

The Stipend and Benefice of *John Mann*, Curate of the Parish Church of *Strood*, near *Rochester*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Frequenter of Ale-Houses and Taverns, drawing others to the same Excess with him, and is a common Swearer by bloody Oaths, and useth to Curse, and is a common Quarreller and Fighter.

The Benefice of *Nicholas Lewin*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Much-Bentley*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he hath been often Drunk, and useth to sit Tippling in Ale-Houses seven or eight Hours together, even on the *Lord's Days*; and he, and, by his

his Example, the People spend the greatest Part of the *Lord's Day* in Pastimes and Drinking at the Ale-House.

The Benefice of *William Evans*, Parson of the Parish Church of *Sandcroft*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Ale-House Haunter, and notorious Drunkard, and Companion of Ale-House Haunters, and hath altogether neglected to Preach in the Afternoons on the *Lord's Day*, or to suffer any other to do it; and hath driven divers of his Parishoners out of the Parish, by Prosecuting them in the Ecclesiastical-Courts, for going to other Churches to hear Sermons, when himself Preached not.

The Benefice of *John Clarke*, Rector of the Parish Church of St. *Ethelburrough*, within *Bishopsgate*, *London*, is sequestred, for that he hath endeavour'd to corrupt his Auditory with the Leaven of *Popish* Doctrine, *That the Bread and Wine, after the Words of Consecration, cease to be Bread and Wine, and differ* specie *from what they were before, and that the Virgin* Mary *was the Window of Heaven, and the very Clouts and Raggs wherein Christ was wrapped, were glorious Raggs, and that the Cross whereon Christ was crucified, was made of four Sorts of Wood*; and that he is a common Haunter of Taverns and Ale-Houses, and useth to sit Tippling there till he be Drunk.

The Benefice of *Richard Nicholſon*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Stapleford Tawny*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard and Swearer.

The Benefice of *Francis Wright*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Witham*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath tempted divers Women, both his Servants and Pariſhoners, to Uncleanneſs, and is a common Haunter of Ale-Houſes and Taverns, and a common Drunkard and Prophaner of the Worſhip of God, by publick performing of the ſame in his Drunkenneſs, and a common Swearer, and common Uſer of corrupt Communication, and hath not Officiated in the ſaid Cure for the Space of Twelve Months, laſt paſt, before the Sequeſtration.

The Benefice of *Cuthbert Dale*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Kettleburrough*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Swearer and Curſer, and, in his Sermons, hath maintain'd, *That the Angels did mediate for the Children of God, and that Men might Drink one Pot for Neceſſity, a ſecond for Recreation, and a third for Good-Fellowſhip, and that it is not the Blood of Chriſt that takes away Sin before God, but it is Repentance and Tears that waſhes away Sins*; and hath read the *Book of Sports* on the Lord's Day, and hath ſlighted and neglected

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the Monthly Faſt, and ſuffered his Servants to Work thereupon; and ſeeing a Stranger in the Church put on his Hat in Sermon Time, he openly then called him, *ſawcy unmannerly Clown*, and bid the Church-Wardens take Notice of him, and the next Lord's Day took Occaſion, in his Sermon, again to ſpeak of him, being then Abſent, and to call him, *Lobb*, *ſawcy Gooſe*, *Idiot*, *a Wigeon*, *Cuckoe*, ſaying, *He was a Scabbed Sheep*, *a Stragler*, *and none of his Flock*; and is a common Ale-Houſe and Tavern Haunter, and hath been often Drunk, and frequently, in his Pulpit, upbraideth his Pariſhoners, calling them, *Knaves*, *Devils*, *Raſcals*, *Rogues and Villains*, uſing other opprobrious Speeches againſt them: And, in one of his Sermons, affirmed, *That he hoped the late Lord* Cooke *was in Hell*, *for maintaining Prohibitions*; and hath been very negligent in his Cure, oft abſenting himſelf from it for many Weeks together, and leaving the ſame, in his Abſence, to very ſcandalous Curates; and hath wholly deſerted his ſaid Cure for above Nine Weeks laſt paſt.

The Benefice of *Thomas Goade*, of the Pariſh Church of *Eaſt-Hatly*, in the County of *Cambridge*, is ſequeſtred, for that he was, for his ſcandalous Life and Miſdemeanours, deprived of his Benefice at *Gainſborough*, in the County of *Nottingham*, about Twenty Years ſince, and hath not ſince reformed

formed his Life, but is still a common Frequenter of Ale-Houses, and very often Drunk, and oft on the *Lord's Day*; and on *New-Years-Day* was Twelve-month, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper being to be administred in his Church, he came from an Ale-House, where he had been all Night, and was so Drunk that he fell down twice or thrice in the Presence of the Parishoners, who expected him at the Church Door; and hath been oft likewise Drunk when he should have been Preaching, and taken up Drunk in the Church-Yard coming to perform that Duty, by Reason whereof, divers Times, his Parishoners have had neither Prayers nor Preaching on the *Lord's Day*; and hath oft sat so long Drinking, that he hath bepiss'd himself, and sometimes the Room where he sat, and is an outragious common Swearer and Curser, and, in his Tippling, useth to say, *Now, Devil, do thy worst*; and finding his Neighbour's Hoggs Trespassing, wished, *The Plague of God in Hell might take her and her Hoggs.*

The Benefice of *Nicholas King*, Vicar of *Friston* and *Snape*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Ale-House Haunter, and Companion of scandalous Persons, and Men of evil Fame, and oft Drunk, and attempted the Chastity of *Elizabeth Scotchmer*, who going to his House to pay him some Mobies, he enticed her to lye with

with him, and did strive a long Time with her to abuse her by Force, and would have corrupted her thereunto with Monies, but she Protesting unto him, She would not sell her Soul to the Devil for Money, he replied to her, *She was a Fool, for God did forgive the greatest Sinners.*

The Benefice of *Edward Tanner*, Parson of the Parish Church of St. *Laurence*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Swearer, and common Ale-House Haunter, and mighty to bear Strong-Drink, and useth to sit five or six Hours together Tippling at Taverns, sometimes whole Days and Nights Tippling and Drinking, and sometimes Drunk; and hath deserted his Cure for the Space of a Year next last past.

The Benefice of *John Wells*, Parson of the Parish Church of *Shimplin*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Ale-House Haunter, and common Drunkard, and, in his *Drunkenness*, hath lain Abroad in the Fields, lost his Hat, fallen into *Ditches*, and so bemired himself, that he hath been fain to be washed; and hath attempted the Chastity of divers Women, and sold his Calves for Kisses with them; and having lock'd himself up in a Chamber, in an Inn, with a lewd Woman, after a long Time the *Door* was broken Open upon him, upon his Refusal to unlock it, and he found in a very suspicious Manner

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upon a Bed with her, after which he convey'd her ſecretly away, and ſent Gifts unto her; and hath affirmed, *That the Land was governed by wicked Men, and that the* Papiſts *were the King's beſt Subjects*; and is a common Swearer of very great Oaths.

The Benefice of *Thomas Geary*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Beddington* in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common frequenter of Ale-Houſes, often Drunk, even to Vomit, and hath been, and is, a common Swearer of bloody Oaths, and Curſer in a fearful manner, as *God Damn me, the Devil Damn me*, refuſed to Preach for many *Sabbath* Days together, and ſaid, *He thought Preaching would do his Pariſhoners no Good*, and uſeth, in his Sermons, to Rail upon his Pariſhoners, calling them, *Sowded Piggs, Burſten Rams, and Speckled Frogs*: And one of the Chief Woman of the Pariſh, greatly grieved at ſuch Miſcarriages, and going out of the Church, the ſaid *Geary* openly, in his Pulpit, thereupon ſaid, *That if there were but one Whore in the Pariſh, ſhe would Kick and Fling, and never keep her Seat*, and affirmed, *That he had abſolute Power to forgive Sins*, and ſaid, *That though this Doctrine had lain hid for many Years, yet he bleſſed God that it was now revived again.*

The Benefice of *Thomas Darnell*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Thorpe*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is an uſual

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Prophaner of the Lord's-Day, by Sports and Plays, and by making clean his Cow-House, and Out-Houses, and other like servile Works, and Read the *Book of Sports* on the Lord's-Day in the Church, with Approbation thereof, and is a common Swearer and Curser, and a notorious Drunkard, and Ale-House Haunter, and is a common Gamester at unlawful Games, and hath been convicted of Incontinency and Adultery before Doctor *Warren* and others, Justices of Peace, and began suit at Law in an Action of Slander for the same, but durst never proceed therein; and hath preached, *That he that would not Conform to his Prince in any Religion ought to burnt.*

The Benefice of *John Wood*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Marden*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he did read the *Book of Sports* upon the Lord's-Day, in his Parish Church, and did preach for the maintenance thereof, and is notoriously Infamous for sundry Adulteries, a common Ale-House Haunter, oft Drunk, a common Gamester, and Quarreller in Gaming, a great Swearer, and was punished at a Quarter Sessions for Adultery committed with the Wife of one *Prior* of the said Parish, and having contracted one *Margaret Parks*, his Servant, to *Thomas Maplesden*, his own Wife happening to Dye, afterwards took to Wife the said *Margaret*, against the Will of the said *Thomas Maplesden*; and useth to sit Drinking and Tippling Two or Three Hours together, in an Ale-House, in

the Company of other Mens Wives, by him ſeduced thereunto.

The Benefice of *Thomas Heny*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Arundell*, in the County of *Suſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common frequenter of Ale-Houſes and Taverns, and hath been often Drunk, a common Swearer, and hath oft procured Ale-Houſes to be ſet up in by-Corners of the ſaid Town, in deſpite of the Magiſtrate, and not only Preacheth very ſeldom himſelf, except it be for ſpecial Reward, but refuſeth to ſuffer others to Preach to his Pariſhoners, when himſelf doth not, and checks them for deſiring Preaching ſo much; telling them, *That he would make them content with a Homily, and before he had done with them, would make them glad of one Sermon in a Month.* And, by his Power in the *Eccleſiaſtical Courts*, hath caus'd Scandalous Perſons to be plac'd for School-Maſters in the ſaid Town, to corrupt the Youth.

The Benefice of *Eraſmus Lewd*, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Little Tey*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, even on the Lord's-Day, thereby diſabling himſelf to Officiate his Cure; and ſitting Drinking late on a *Saturday* Night, was demanded, *Who ſhould Preach on the next Day?* He anſwer'd, *Let the Devil Preach, give me another Cup of Sack*: And is a common Swearer, and hath uſed frequent Superſtitious Cringing to the Altar, and ſeldom Preacheth

to his Parishoners, not above once in five or six Weeks; and divers times, thro' his Neglect, his Church-Doors have been shut up all Day on the Lord's-Days.

The Benefice of *Anthony Hugget*, Parson of the Parish Church of the *Cliffe*, in the County of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he hath Preach'd, *That it was more Lawful to Steal, or do Servile Works upon the Lord's-Day, than to go to other Churches to hear a Sermon, when there was none at Home*; And hath Sued divers of his Parishoners for going to other Churches to hear Sermons, when he Preached not, and forced two of them to do Pennance for it, and to acknowledge openly, *That they had Offended God in it, and Grieved, and gave Offence to their Fellow-Parishoners*; and procured one of them to be excommunicated for it. And hath been bound, at the General Quarter Sessions, to his good Behaviour for several Misdemeanours; and is greatly suspected of Incontinency; and hath had the *French* Pox, and was cured thereof by one Mr. *Abel*.

The Benefice of *John Sydall*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Kensworth* in the County of *Hertford*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Ale-Houses, and commonly Drunk; and hath neglected his Cure for several Lord's Days without any Supply.

The Benefice of *John Kenuew*, Parson of the Parish Church of *Kettlebaston*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is sequestred, for that he

is a common Ale-Houſe Haunter, and much given to Tippling and Drinking, and uſeth to provoke others to the ſame, and hath been oftentimes Drunk.

The Benefice of *Jeoffrey Auberſt*, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of the Pariſh Church of *Horſemauden*, in the County of *Kent*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Swearer, and Haunter of Ale-Houſes, and hath wholly deſerted his ſaid Cure for above ſeven Months laſt, before the ſaid Sequeſtration.

The Benefice of *Miles Goultie*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Walton*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a great Practiſer and Preſſer of the late illegal Innovations in the Worſhip of God; and hath refuſed to give the Sacrament to his Pariſhoners that would not come up to the Rails to receive the ſame, and being preſſed much, by his Pariſhoners, to Preach twice a Day, or to give them Leave to procure one to do it, he utterly refuſed, profeſſing, he would bring no ſuch New Orders among them; and in his Sermons uſually enveighs againſt his Pariſhoners for going to hear Sermons at other Churches, when they had none at Home, and finding his Curate painful in Preaching twice on the Lord's Day, he put him away, and entertained, in his room, a moſt Drunken, Scandalous, and Idle Curate, and is a common Frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, Sitting Tippling there

there four or five Days in a Week, and oft 'till Mid-night, and hath been often Drunk.

The Benefice of *Samuel Alſop*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Acton*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath attempted the Chaſtity of divers married Women, and frequented the Company of Women greatly ſuſpected to be Lewd, and of ill Fame, and got a Maid with Child in the Houſe where he ſojourned, and hath ſet up in his Chancel the Jeſuits Badge in Gold, in divers Places thereof; and hath wholly deſerted his Cure for Half a Year laſt paſt, before the ſaid Sequeſtration.

The Benefice of *Robert Senior*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Feering*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Ale-Houſes, and commonly Drunk, and hath been admoniſhed by his Ordinary for it, and yet hath not left it, and was, for his Continuance therein, ſuſpended by the Ordinary, and yet ſtill perſiſteth in the ſame.

The Benefice of *Henry Kybert*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of St. *Katherine-Coleman*, *London*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, and commonly frequents the Company of a married Woman, of very Ill Fame, and hath been ſeen to Embrace and Kiſs her very Laſciviouſly, and hath been, in a very ſuſpicious Manner, in Private with her, and hath not

not been ashamed, in Divine Service, publickly to express unseemly Gestures and Behaviours towards her in the Church; and being told, That he was seen to be in such private Miscarriage with her, answered, *That he would after be more cautious*, which, accordingly, he observed, resorting commonly to her House, afterwards, by Night, and not by Day; and hath, since his Institution into the said Church, seldom Preached, and, in his Absence, committed the Cure to Drunken, Lewd, and Lascivious *Curates*; and hath deserted his said Cure, for more than four Months last past, before the said Sequestration.

The Benefice of *Waker Matlock*, Parson of the Parish Church of *Storrington*, in the County of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Swearer and Curser, and a common Gamester at Cards and Dice, and useth to sit Tippling with Lewd and Lewd Companions, and hath been over-seen in Drink; and hath said, *That none but a Company of Giddy-headed Fellows would Preach twice a Day*; and caused and countenanced the Reading of the *Book of Sports* in his Church to prophane the Lord's Day.

The Benefice of *Matthew Clay*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Chesworth*, in the County of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he hath very little resided upon his Parsonage House, but letteth one live in it that turneth it to an Ale-House; and is a common Swearer, a Haunter of Ale-Houses and Taverns,

verns, and hath been oft very Drunk; and hath often Preached, *That Sins of Ignorance and Sins of Infirmity do not grieve the Spirit of God*; and hath wholly deserted the said Cure for above four Months before the said Sequestration, leaving, upon his Departure, a scandalous Curate, a Drunkard that sate in the Stocks for his Misdemeanours; and, for divers Lord's Days, the Church Doors have been shut up, and the Parish left without Prayer or Preaching.

The Place and Stipend of *Joseph Dawes*, Curate and Hospitaller of St. *Thomas* Hospital in *Southwark*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and a common Haunter of Taverns and Ale-Houses, and a common Swearer.

The Benefice of *William Osbaston*, D. D. Parson of the Parish Church of *Much Parndon*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he, in his Absence, supplied his said Cure by scandalous and insufficient Curates, and hath, in his Sermons, preached against frequent Preaching, affirming it, *That the preaching no Service of God, and that it was rather a vain World since there was so much of it, and that if he could Preach Twice a Day, he would not, and that one Hearing of Common Prayer, is better than Ten Sermons*; and hath read in his said Church, the Book of Sports on the Lord's Day, and encouraged Men to Foot-Ball, and other like Sports on that Day.

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The Benefice of *Humphrey Dawes*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Mount-Nezing*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he read the *Book of Sports*, and encouraged his Parishoners to prophane the *Sabbath*; and hath been often Drunk, and came so Drunk to Church on the Lord's Day, as he bad his People Sing a Chapter in the *Hebrews* for a *Psalm*, not knowing what he did.

The Benefice of *Thomas Baily*, Rector of the Parish Church of *Brasteed*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he hath endeavoured to corrupt his People with the Leaven of False Doctrine, teaching them, That *Ex-Tempore Prayer was* Pharasaical *at the best, and that no Prayer ought to be longer than the* Lord's Prayer, *and that People ought not to Pray privately, or secretly, any Prayer that was not first written, and shewed to, and allowed by a Priest: That tho' People confess their Sins to God, yet they ought, for more Surety of Forgiveness, to confess them to their Priest, their Ghostly Father, and that, for Want of Auricular Confession, some have been brought to confess at the Gallows: And that such as refused to give their Children and Servants Liberty, on the Lord's Day, after their Observation of the Time of Publick Worship, to Sport and Play, did break God's Commandments.* And hath also publickly Preached, *That it is a great Grief to God's People, that Abbies are not again erected, because divers could not endure to live publickly;*

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lickly; and that the Curse of God was on them that kept the Abby-Lands, and therefore they did not prosper.

The Benefice of *Thomas Vaughan*, Curate of the Parish Church of *Chatham*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he affirmed, *That to Preach in Season, is to Preach on* Sundays *in the Forenoon, and out of Season, in the Afternoon:* And endeavoured to hinder his Parishoners from going to hear Sermons elsewhere, when they had none at Home, affirming to them, *That it was as lawful for him to use Dalliance, or lie with his Neighbour's Wife, as for any to go from their own Parish.* And is a common Frequenter of Taverns, Tippling there, and hath been often Drunk, and drew one to the Tavern that had vowed not to drink Wine, and mingled Wine and Beer, and enticed him to drink it, and then clapt him on the Shoulder, and bad him make Vows no more, for he had now broken it; and did Preach, openly, *That to Preach nothing but Scripture, without the Authority of the Fathers, was like the Devil's Sheering of Hoggs*, a great Cry, but a little Wooll.

The Benefice of *Richard Goffe*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *East-Greensteed*, in the *County* of *Sussex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Haunter of Taverns and Ale-Houses; and a common Swearer of Bloody Oaths; and Singer of Bawdy Songs; and often

ten Drunk; and keepeth Company with *Papiſts*, and ſcandalous Perſons; and hath confeſſed, *That he chiefly ſtudied* Popiſh *Authors*, highly commended Queen *Mary*'s Time, and diſparaged Queen *Elizabeth*'s, as an Enemy to Learning, and hoped to ſee the Time again, that there ſhould be no Bible in Men's Houſes. And hath openly Preached, *That ſuch as go to other Pariſh Churches than their own, are in the State of Damnation, and that after the Bread and Wine at the Sacrament is Conſecrated, it is no more Bread and Wine, but the Body and Blood of Chriſt.*

The Benefice of *Peter Allen*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Tolſbury* in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he hath lived Incontinently a long time with ſeveral Women, that is to ſay with *Mary Tim*, who went from his Houſe with Child by him, *Frances Smith*, by whom he alſo had a Baſtard. And with *Ann Cooper*, whom he hath kept for the ſpace of Seven Years laſt paſt, and yet keepeth in his Houſe, who Miſcarried of a Child begotten by him.

The Benefice of *John Hurt*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Horndon* upon the Hill, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, and a common Drunkard and Gameſter, a common Swearer and Curſer, and hath been Convicted before the Juſtice of Peace for Six Oaths at a time, and then Swear *by God*, he did not Swear.

The Benefice of *Paul Clapham*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Farnham*, in the County of *Surry*, and Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Martin Worthy*, in the County of *South-Hampton*, are ſequeſtred, for that he hath lived in Adultery with ſeveral Women, and hath had divers Baſtards, and charged the Pariſh with the keeping of them, and hath Two Baſtards at this time kept, one of which he payeth

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for the Maintenance of, and is bound with his Son to pay for the Maintenance of the other.

The Benefice of *John Annes*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Charleton*, in the County of *Kent*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and hath been Drunk on the Faſt-Days, and uſeth to Drink Healths, and in them to wiſh, *That he might be Curſed by Father and Mother, and all his Kin, that ended one Health and will not another begin*; And hath kept a common Ale-Houſe and is a Prophaner of the Sabbath-Day, by common frequenting of Ale-Houſes thereon, and hath attempted the Chaſtity of divers Women, and uſeth Unchaſte Behaviour towards them.

The Benefice of *Robert Shepard*, of the Pariſh Church of *Hepworth* in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and frequenter of Taverns and Ale-Houſes, lying, and continuing Drunk, in the ſaid Houſes, divers Nights, ſometimes Twice or Thrice a Week, and is greatly Suſpected of Incontinency, having had divers Maid-Servants Departed from his Houſe great with Child, none living in the Houſe with them but himſelf, and ſome of them have returned again to live with him, and, within a ſhort time, have been with-Child again: And in his Catechiſing and Preaching, calls his Pariſhoners, *Black-Mouthed Hell-Hounds, Limbs of the Devil, Fire-Brands of Hell, Plow-joggers, Bawling-Doggs, Weaverly-Jacks, and Church Robbers*, affirming, *That if he could term them Worſe he would:* And hath endeavoured to perſwade Poor Men to forſwear themſelves for him.

The Benefice of *John Woolhouſe*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Weſt-Merſea*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he is a common and exceſſive Tippler and Drinker, both at Home and Abroad, a common Ale-Houſe Haunter, and Drunkard, and on the Lord's Day going from

the Church to the Ale-House in the Forenoon, and continuing Tippling there till the Afternoon Service, and useth to Intice and provoke others to joyn in the same Excess with him, even to Drunkenness, and is a common Dicer and Gamester for Money, Enticing his Tippling Companions thereunto, and is a common Curser and Swearer, and hath tempted Women to Incontinency.

The Benefice of *Henry Hammington*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *Hougham*, in the County of *Kent*, is sequestred, for that he is a common and notorious Drunkard, and oft lying Dead-Drunk in High-Ways, and hath continued so for the space of Twenty Years and upwards, and useth to Sing, in his Cups, in the Ale-House, Baudy Songs, which he calleth *Cathedral Songs*, and on *Easter*-Eve, and the several *Saturdays* before and after that, he was so Drunk, that he was scarce able to speak, and yet did administer the Communion on the Three *Sundays* following them; And being likely to recover the *Peer* of *Dover* to be within the Bounds of his Parish, he was asked how so great a Number could have Room in so small a Church as his, and his answer was, *Let them pay me their Offering at Easter, and let them all go to the Devil at* Whitsuntide. And when he read the *Book of Sports* on the Lord's Day, there was Beer laid into his Barn, and Dancing and Drinking there that Day, and to give them the more time for it, he dimissed the Congregation with a few Prayers, and left off Preaching in the Afternoon.

The Benefice of *Thomas Heard*, Vicar of the Parish Church of *West-Tukely*, in the County of *Essex*, is sequestred, for that he is a common Drunkard, and Companion of Drunkards, and hath been so Drunk, that he hath tumbled into Ditches and Mire; and, in one of his Drunken Fits, called for a Fire to be made, and vowed he would burn his Wife and Children in it.

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The Benefice of *Samuel Scrivener*, Parſon of the Pariſh Church of *Weſtrop*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is ſequeſtred, for that he did frequently bow towards the Communion Table, affirming, *That there was an inherent Holineſs in that Place*; and hath committed Adultery with *Margaret*, the Wife of *George Woods*; and hath been often Drunk.

The Benefice of *Ambroſe Weſtrop*, Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Much-Totham*, in the County of *Eſſex*, is ſequeſtred, for that he doth commonly prophane the Ordinance of Preaching, by Venting, in the Pulpit, Matters concerning the Secrets of Women, to ſtir up his Auditory to Laughter; and hath taught in his Sermons, *That a Man that uſeth Carnal Copulation with his Wife the Night before the Adminiſtration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, unleſs his Wife require him ſo to do, ought not to come to the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; and that a Woman that hath Monthly Sickneſs, ought not to come to the Sacrament: That a Woman is worſe than a Sow, in two Reſpects; Firſt, Becauſe a Sow's Skin is good to make a Cart-Saddle, and her Briſtles good for a Sowter. Secondly, Becauſe a Sow will run away if a Man cry but* Hoy, *but a Woman will not turn Head, tho' beaten down with a Leaver; and that all the Difference between a Woman and a Sow, is in the Nape of the Neck, where a Woman can bend upwards, but a Sow cannot, and that a Woman is reſpected by a Man, only for his unclean Luſt, and that ſhe that is nurſed with Sow's Milk, will learn to wallow*; and divers modeſt Women abſenting from Church, becauſe of ſuch uncivil Paſſages, he affirmed, *That all that were then Abſent from Church were Whores*: And having been a Sutor to a Widdow, whom he called *Black Beſs*, who rejected him, and married another, he obſerved, in his Sermon out of one of the *Pſalms*, *That* David *prayed to God, not to Saint or Angel, nor yet to* Black Beſs, who was then in the

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Church before him; *and that* Jacob, *to deceive his Brother of the Blessing, made Love upon Leu, but when* Esau *came Home and perceived it, he flung away with a Pox*; and Speaking against such as pleased him not in Paying the Tithes in the Pulpit, he turned towards his Brother in-law, then in the Church, and said, *Leu, Brother Black-Head, will pay no Tithe-Bushes neither*; and being angry with one, whose Name was *Kent*, he said thus in the Pulpit, *They say the Devil is in* Harwich, *but I am sure he is in Kent*; and Speaking of the Parable of those that made Excuses for not Coming to the Marriage, he observed, *That the Married Man had no Excuse*, but said, in plain Terms, *He could not come*: *Nay*, said he, *the Married Man cannot come, but must go to Hell in his Whore*: And, at another Time, told a Story, in the Pulpit, of two several Women, that, in their Husband's Absence, had Familiars, and said, *That, when it was Night, they went up into the Chamber together with a Candle, and put out the Candle, and there is Sport, Heavenly Sport, such Sport as never was in little Heaven*; and when their Husbands come Home, they must enquire the Way by *Horn-Row*; *and that* Rahab *was a Whore, and kept an Ale-House at* Jericho, *and that so are all Ale-Wives Whores, and their Husbands are Cuckolds*.

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